

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED
BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

APPLICATIONS OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN, LLC
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 20840 - 20848

APPLICATIONS OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 21383 - 21386
Case No. 21436, 21437

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS
EXAMINER HEARING
JANUARY 20, 2022
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

This matter came on for virtual hearing before
the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, HEARING OFFICER
WILLIAM BRANCARD and TECHNICAL EXAMINER LEONARD LOWE on
Thursday, January 20, 2022, through the Webex Platform.

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CASE CALLED

STATUS CONFERENCE 03

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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Let's get back on
2 agenda then, and I think we have a whole long list of cases
3 here, Items 17 through 31, these will be cases 20841, 20842,
4 20843, 20844, 20845, 20846, 20847, 20848, and 21383, 21384
5 21385, 21386 and 21436 and 21437. Let's start with Marathon
6 Oil Permian LLC.

7 MS. BENNETT: Good morning, Mr. Examiner. This
8 is Deana Bennett on behalf of Marathon Oil Permian LLC, and
9 I may have missed your recitation of Case Number 20840 that
10 is also included in these matters.

11 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: That's correct. So
12 we have Matador Production Company.

13 MR. FELDEWERT: May it please the Examiner,
14 Michael Feldewert with the Santa Fe office of Holland &
15 Hart.

16 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: I have some other
17 entries of appearance here, Cimarex Energy?

18 MS. BENNETT: Good morning, Mr. Examiner, Deana
19 Bennet on behalf of Cimarex Energy.

20 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: And then Foran Oil
21 Company. Gallagher and Kennedy?

22 (No audible response.)

23 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Is Mr. Moellenberg on
24 the call today? I hear silence, all right. So status
25 conference, where are we on this big bundle of cases?

1 MS. BENNETT: Thank you, Mr. Examiner. The
2 parties are in discussions still and are working towards
3 resolving their issues, and so we would ask that these cases
4 be set for a status conference on March 17 to allow the
5 parties additional time to continue their negotiations.

6 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Mr. Feldewert?

7 MR. FELDEWERT: Yeah, Mr. Examiner, I know the
8 parties have been working diligently on this. They have
9 made progress. We are hoping that come March we will be
10 able to do what we did with some of the other cases this
11 morning and that is dismiss them. At this point it would
12 still be premature, so we ask that you set this for a March
13 status conference.

14 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: March 17 you have
15 asked for, all right. Last time you said you were all ready
16 to sign an agreement soon, too, so I don't know.

17 All right. Let's set this for a status
18 conference on March 17, it seems like everybody is getting
19 along these days, so maybe this will work out.

20 MR. FELDEWERT: We're hopeful.

21 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: So final call, anyone
22 else interested in Cases 20848 -- sorry -- 20840 through
23 20848, 21383 through 21386 and 21436 and 21437?

24 (No audible response.)

25 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Hearing none, these

1 cases will be set for a status conference on March 17 and
2 we'll issue an order today.

3 MR. FELDEWERT: Thank you, sir.

4 MS. BENNETT: Thank you very much.

5 (Concluded.)

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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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6 I, IRENE DELGADO, New Mexico Certified Court
7 Reporter, do hereby certify that I reported the foregoing
8 virtual proceedings in stenographic shorthand and that the
9 foregoing pages are a true and correct transcript of those
10 proceedings to the best of my ability.

11 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither employed by
12 nor related to any of the parties or attorneys in this case
13 and that I have no interest in the final disposition of this
14 case.

15 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Virtual Proceeding was
16 of reasonable quality.

17 Dated this 20th day of January 2022.

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/s/ Irene Delgado

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